Fenton cop chases suspect into lake

■ Fenton man arrested. faces multiple felonies involving retail fraud

By Sharon Stone

Lt. Jeff Cross of the Fenton Police Department found himself in another foot chase at approximately 1 p.m. on

Monday, Sept. 23. Cross has chased cows, deer and fleeing suspects over the years with the Fenton Police Depart-

On Sept. 23, a Fenton police officer was driving through the Walmart parking lot off Owen Road. The officer observed a white male

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wearing a hooded sweatshirt walking toward a car. The man's sweatshirt was bulging and the man appeared to be

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Jason Clouse of Fenton Township takes his shift on the picket line on Thursday evening, Sept. 26 at GM Flint Assembly plant. Thursday was the 11th day of the national strike. Photo: Tim Jagielo

Locals join national strike

■UAW in longest strike with GM in nearly 50 years

By Tim Jagielo

Flint — GM employee and UAW Local 598 member Jason Clouse of Fenton Township displayed his "on strike" sign along with 20 or so of

See STRIKE on 25A

Holly depot could win \$150,000 grant

■Public asked to participate in online voting campaign

By Vera Hogan

What does the village of Holly have in common with big cities like Denver, Los Angeles, Seattle, Minneapolis, Austin and Kansas City?

See **DEPOT** on 24A





Linden — Newly crowned Linden Homecoming King Brenden Miller is hoisted up by his friends and classmates in celebration during halftime at the Linden High School powderpuff game on Tuesday, Sept. 24. See more photos at myfenton.com.

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translate well in the Hot lines. Please don't send a 'Thank you very much, I really appreciate....' message when you are really dissatisfied, angry or

upset by whatever. Just make your disparaging remarks and be done with it."

MNice article on the gogetter and future firefighter, Holly High School's Logan Campbell.

LSince the Torrey Road/ North Road intersection closed I began driving through downtown Fenton. Every day there is a gentleman in a wheelchair on Leroy Street who waves and smiles at everyone. He brightens my day and people wave or honk their horns. It's a pleasant change from all the negativity."

COMMENT OF THE WEEK

Witnessed two drivers

hop out of their cars yesterday in Fenton to help a driver of a broken down car push it out of the roadway. Love my town."

















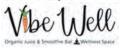












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Two weekends ago Fenton saw another beautiful four days on the grounds of St. John The Evangelist Parish. What is now a true Fenton, Lake Fenton, Linden & Holly community event saw many smiling faces from kids and adults alike. If you volunteered and gave of your time or talents, if you enjoyed good food & desserts, if you purchased tickets so your kids could enjoy the rides or if you purchased a raffle ticket in the hopes of winning one of a great number of prizes, YOU made Applefest a success, Thank You!

This event has been successful for many years because of the hard work and dedication of countless volunteers many from the parish, and this year a growing number from the community. That is a good thing! The community has the most to gain from each years success with this festival. The dollars generated go right back into the church and the community to help those in need. It is often for things never seen,

never heard and sometimes never thought of by many of those that have enough.

The list of volunteers is many, thanks to all, sorry if you pitched in and helped but were not mentioned below:

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On behalf of the Applefest Core team, we would like to extend a heartfelt Thank You for your support of the 47th Annual Applefest. We had another successful festival and are already planning for Applefest 48 in 2020. We truly could not have done this without your time and talents! Again, thank you for all you do!

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■ Peanut allergy treatments may have new medical breakthroughs; talk to your, allergist

By Sally Rummel

When Charlie Jones was 2 years old, he got peanut butter on his face and immediately broke out in hives, followed by a very severe reaction. He was diagnosed with an allergy to peanuts, tree nuts and milk.

Now 6 years old, Charlie's life literally depends on a rigid adherence to safe foods. His parents, Aaron and Shannon Jones, are avid label readers. He is also a homeschooled first-grader, partly due to his parents' anxiety over his allergy.

"If he touches peanut butter, he'll get hives," Shannon said. "However, if he ingests it, he will go into anaphylactic shock."

Peanut butter and jelly sandwiches used to be a staple on everyone's childhood menu. But today, with 5.6 million American children and adolescents suffering from a food

allergy, this childhood favorite has been replaced by safer foods — plus a very real dose of reality for parents who know that exposure to peanuts could be a matter of life and death.

Currently, the standard of care for food allergies is to avoid the allergy-causing food and to always carry a

supply of injectable epinephrine, such as an EpiPen, to counter reactions.

But there are medical breakthroughs on the horizon. A new drug, Palforzia, manufactured by Aimmune Therapeutics, has been recommended for approval by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), perhaps as soon as January 2020.

If approved, this oral immunotherapy will include ingesting small doses of pharmaceutical-grade peanut protein daily, increasing the dose over months to inhibit the immune system's overreaction to peanuts.

While a person with a peanut allergy may not be able to eat peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, oral immunotherapy offers an extra buffer

of safety against possible severe allergic reactions.

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Charlie and his brother, Abe, 4, enjoy a dairy-free, nutfree ice cream treat with sister Fenway, 16. Submitted photo

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By Mark Rummel

Why don't UPS trucks turn left?

hile I scratch my head when asked to list the signers of the Declaration of Independence, name my congressman or to recall something else equally important, my mind somehow gathers and remembers far less valuable tidbits. It always has and it probably always will.

Along that line, here are 10 mostly useless facts I have collected today. Most of these seem unbelievable, but multiple online searches say they are true. I'll probably find many more tomorrow. But for now, these items have floated to the top of this weird pile of knowledge:

- 1. UPS truck routes are designed to make only right-hand turns while delivering packages. Computers determine all daily routes so drivers make only right turns, even if that results in longer distances. The company knows left turns into traffic are much more dangerous, which is true.
- 2. Heat and cooling temperatures at every Walmart store in the U.S. are controlled at the company headquarters in Bentonville, Arkansas. Computers monitor local conditions, but you'll need to bring a sweater if you're always chilly in the store.

Or, buy one while you're shopping.

- 3. By the way, Walmart makes \$1.8 million in worldwide profits every hour. One-third of all U.S. residents will shop there every week. That's why Walmart is the world's largest retailer.
- 4. What is the most-productive workday of an average week? It's Tuesday, for most folks.
- 5. If the United States would switch from our \$1 bill to a \$1 coin. we'd save more than \$4.4 billion in



30 years. That's because coins last much longer than bills, which wear out in about six years on average.

6. The Coca-Cola logo is recognized by 94 percent of the world's population. It's the best-known image on earth. And, yes, Coca-Cola did actually contain small levels of cocaine until 1929. That happened in

part because cocaine was a legal drug here until 1914. The shortened name of "Coke" refers to the cola nut, not the cocaine...

7. By the way, rival Pepsi-Cola got its name originally from the digestive enzyme pepsin. Company officials wanted customers to know that

See MARK RUMMEL on 20A

Engine Repair, tune-ups to

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HEY PUT OUT better garbage and maybe he can afford to buy a muffler.

SO LINDEN'S SHUTTING down the downtown for a church to sing

gospel, pray and try to get more people to come to their church and give them money. How can a city approve shutting down its city for a church? This church just needs more money for their 'expansion.'

HERE'S THE LAST decade in Michigan education: Schools are getting worse. Teachers are getting paid less. We've barely increased state education spending. We're not paying what we owe for teacher pensions and retiree health care, and a road-funding plan proposed by Lansing Republicans could make all of it worse.

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What do you think about the ban on flavored vaping products?



"I think it's good. I don't think anyone who hasn't smoked a cigarette would even buy tobacco-flavored vape juice."

Cailtyn Nichols



"I probably wouldn't have quit if they didn't take it away. I vaped for about three years. I started in high school because everyone was doing it."

Becky Fuka



"I don't vape. I don't think they know enough about them either. It's one of those weird political views. We let people drive motorcycles without helmets but we won't let them vape?"

Sean Misko, Howell



"I haven't thought about it. I don't smoke. Vaping is probably not good. It's one of those things where you find out after the fact that it's bad. like cigarettes."

> **Colene Snowden** Fenton



"I think it's a great idea. You want to make it less attractive to teenagers."

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Accepting the P.U.M.P. Award at the Capitol presentation Sept. 12 was Brian Ross, Genesee County senior assistant director of Water and Waste Services, Joseph Perroud, Linden WRRF plant superintendent, Mark Earl, senior operations supervisor and Jason Hall, operations supervisor. Rep. Mike Mueller holds the award and Sen. Ken Horn stands to the right. Submitted photo

Linden's wastewater facility receives awards

■Wins one state and one national award

Compiled by Hannah Ball

Linden's wastewater treatment facility received the first ever Premier Utility Management Performance (P.U.M.P.) Award at a Sept. 12 tribute at the state capital.

The P.U.M.P. Award is a new honor created by the Michigan Water Environment Association (MWEA) in partnership with the Michigan Depart-

and Energy (EGLE).
"This designation highlights Linden's

ment of Environment, Great Lakes,

"This designation highlights Linden's Water Resource Recovery Facility for its service excellence in producing clean water, helping to protect the Great Lakes, recovering nutrients such as phosphorus and nitrogen, generating energy, utilizing

green infrastructure and contributing to the sustainability of local communities," said state Rep. Mike Mueller (R-Fenton Township).

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We are proud to receive these honors on behalf of our entire organization. ***

Brian Ross**

Genesee County Water and Waste Services senior assistant director



The Linden wastewater treatment facility, off Silver Lake Road in Fenton Township, is managed by the Genesee County Drain Commission. **Photo: Hannah Ball**

Join the CROP Hunger Walk on Oct. 6

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Dave RaynerLocal CROP Hunger Walk

co-chairperson

■39th annual walk at Bush Park in Fenton supports local and global hunger relief

By Sally Rummel

When you support the upcoming CROP Hunger Walk in Fenton, you'll be helping local people as well as hunger, water-related issues and disaster relief around the world.

Local walkers will meet at Bush Park on Sunday, Oct. 6 for registration at 1:30 p.m. and the walk at 2 p.m. You can

also "rock" the event on rocking chairs provided on-site, for those who'd prefer to support CROP in a seated position.

Twenty-five percent of funds raised will stay local, supporting the school lunch spring break

program at St. Jude's Episcopal Church in Fenton, the food pantry at Fenton United Methodist Church and the Linden Presbyterian Church F.I.S.H. community food pantry.

Seventy-five percent of the funds will be used to help global food, water and disaster relief through Church World Service, a faith-based global relief organization.

This year's theme will be "The '50s," to celebrate the 50-year anniversary of the CROP Hunger Walk, first started by Church World Service in 1969.

A 39-year tradition in the tri-county area, local walkers have raised a total of \$381,859 in the past 38 years, with \$95,000 supporting local programs.

Local churches involved include Fenton First Presbyterian Church, Fenton United Methodist Church, St. Jude's Episcopal Church, Linden Presbyterian Church, Linden United Methodist Church and Tyrone Community Presbyterian Church. Local Boy Scout troops and the local Jazzercise franchise in Fenton also

help with volunteers and participation.

"Each year, we try to add new churches and organizations," said Dave Rayner of Holly, local CROP Hunger Walk cochairperson. He and his wife, Denise, have been involved

with CROP for almost 30 years. "It's a passion for us," he said. "It's not only a great charity, but it also involves all these communities and churches."

How can you get involved with the CROP Hunger Walk?

You can join the walk or rock on Oct. 6, you can donate to people who are walking, or you can make a donation online at Crophungerwalk.org/

For more information, call Don Isenberg at (810) 240-0863 or Susan Malinowski at (810) 629-2506.

The community is invited to take part in the 39th annual CROP Hunger Walk on Sunday, Oct. 6 in Fenton. Submitted photo

Did you know that the cost of a Nursing Home in Genesee and Lapeer County averages between \$8,670 and \$12,590 per month; assisted living costs between \$2,551 and \$7,509; and in-home care costs \$17-\$30 per hour? There is a 50% chance you will spend 6 months or longer in a long term care facility.

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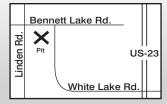
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Michael Doyle

Secretary of State

communications manager

■Includes names, addresses, vehicle information, driving records and more

By Hannah Ball

In fiscal year 2018, the Michigan Secretary of State (SOS) collected nearly \$58 million from selling citizens' personal information to private companies and private

investigators.

The SOS sells "millions" of records a year, according to Michael Doyle, communications manager for the SOS.

"Tens of thousands of people order their own record every year. Millions of vehicle records are sold for purposes like vehicle recalls. Millions of addresses are sold for address verification by the IRS and Depart-

ment of Treasury, for employment screenings and other purchasers who have certified the information will be used for a permissible purpose," he said.

Definitions

Michigan Vehicle Code section 257.208c states that the SOS can disclose "personal information" to law enforcement, insurance companies, motor vehicle business, statistics and data gathering companies, to private detective and to the media for certain purposes.

MVC section 257.40b defines "personal information" as an individual's photo, name, address (but not the zip code), driver's license number, Social Security number, telephone number, digitized signature and medical and disability information.

The SOS does not sell personal information for the purposes of surveys, marketing and solicitation purposes. It also does not sell "highly restricted personal information," which is defined as an individual's photograph or image, Social Security number, digitized signature, medical and dis-

ability information, source documents presented by an applicant to obtain an operator's or chauffeur's license, and emergency contact information.

"The Department of State provides driver and vehicle record information to members of the media on a daily basis for a charge of \$11 per record lookup. This is a permissible use if

the media is requesting information in preparation of a report relating to the operation of a motor vehicle or public safety. Among our typical lookup requests are an individual's driving record, the owner of a vehicle with a given plate number and the title history of a vehicle," Doyle said.

Costs

A complete database purchase has a retrieval service charge of \$16

per 1,000 records. A partial database, such as specific counties or zip codes, costs \$64 per 1,000 records. An individual's driving records cost \$11 or \$12 certified, according to Doyle.

In fiscal year 2018, the SOS brought in \$57,985,111.94 from records look-up fees.

"These are legitimate information requests under Michigan law. The department has methods of checking to make sure information is being properly used by those who request it. Anyone who attempts to use the information for a purpose other than what is permissible violates the law and may be subject to prosecution," Doyle said.

When asked how the SOS ensures the applicants and buyers use the information for the intended purpose, Doyle said the department does not share that information publically so applicants don't learn how to avoid detection.

"There have been instances where information has not been used properly. The department can cancel access and file a claim against the individual's or company's surety bond. The department has canceled companies' access before," Doyle said.

Suspicious behavior leads to Fenton man's arrest

■To be arraigned on multiple charges after release from hospital

By Sharon Stone

After a 31-year-old Fenton man is discharged from an area hospital, he will face multiple charges related to his behavior in downtown Fenton early in the morning on Sunday, Sept. 22.

Lt. Jeff Cross of the Fenton Police Department said police responded to the 100 block of S. LeRoy Street at 4:15 a.m. on a report of a suspicious man attempting to open the door of a closed pub.

Upon arrival, police spotted the man and recognized him from past encounters. Cross said responding officers determined the man was intoxicated.

With some effort, an officer arrested the man and placed him into the patrol vehicle. While in custody, the man admitted that he had just broken a window at a nearby bank.

While police were discussing the situation in the parking lot, an employee of a nearby bakery walked over and said the suspect in custody had just entered their building, which was open only to employees, and sprayed WD-40 on the tables. The suspect also took a bakery dog treat and began eating it. Employees told police that when the man exited the bakery he pulled the fire alarm.

Cross said the man was quite agitated in the patrol vehicle and he injured himself when kicking and hitting the divider and doors. On the drive to the Genesee County Jail, police changed course and took him instead to an area hospital for medical treatment.

Pending charges include breaking and entering, larceny from a building, malicious destruction of property, indecent exposure, resisting police and disorderly intoxication. The man also has two outstanding arrest warrants.

Donaldson Drive to get new energy-saving lighting

■Twenty-six streetlights will be replaced for \$11,430

By Vera Hogan

Donaldson Drive will be getting new energy-efficient lighting. At its Monday, Sept. 23 meeting, the Fenton City Council voted favorably to replace the current 400-watt metal halide fixtures with 60-watt LED luminaires.

According to Interim Public Works Director Dan Brisson, the current fixtures feature globe-type covers that are delaminating (hazing), which greatly reduce light output. They require frequent re-lamping and several fixtures have corrosion issues where the bulbs are mounted.

"The current operating budget includes funding to convert 26 street-lights on Donaldson Drive to LED luminaires," Brisson said.

Chapple Electric of Fenton has proposed 60-watt LED luminaires

and a return-on-investment analysis that determines a payback of one year and eight months when considering energy savings and the maintenance cost of re-lamping the existing fixtures, Brisson said.

The cost to replace the lighting fixtures with new acorn-style globes is \$11,430, which includes materials, labor, estimated permit costs and estimated Consumers Energy incentive rebates.

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Vaporia owner Patrick Ayar stands with wife, Mary, who concocts their flavored e-liquids. The full shelf of bottles before them must be gone by Wednesday, Oct. 2. Photo: Tim Jagielo

Flavored e-cigs off the shelf by Wednesday, Oct. 2

■Businesses could be hurt by lost revenue, former smokers return to cigarettes

By Tim Jagielo

Fenton — Years ago, when Patrick Ayar's teen daughter wanted to try vaping, he said, "Why? You don't smoke. If you don't smoke, you don't need to vape."

Ayar owns Vaporia in Fenton. His wife, Mary, is an expert on concocting their custom e-liquids, which is their sole product. They mostly make and sell flavored e-liquids.

They were set to expand internationally beyond the small Fenton store-front and lab before the news of Michigan Gov. Gretchen Whitmer's ban on flavored e-liquids was announced.

Now, they'll try to hold on and keep open for their cli-

ents who still use flavorless vape liquid as an alternative to cigarettes.

When asked how this ban will affect them, Ayar said they are going to lose a lot of money.



Vaporia makes pharmaceutical-grade e-liquids with nicotine and its own custom flavors. These flavored liquids make up 95 percent of its business.

Photo: Tim Jagielo

LLWe have told our customers, it doesn't matter if you're vaping flavor or not. Really, you want to keep yourself from going back to cigarettes. **77**

Mary Ayar Fenton Vaporia owner E-liquids are made of vegetable glycerin (VG), propylene glycol (PG), nicotine, and the flavor mix, which is a combination of concentrates, according to Mary Ayar. This compound is loaded into a vape pen, or e-cigarette,

which heats up the liquid, allowing the user to breathe in the flavor and nicotine vapor. The Ayars boast an e-liquid that doesn't make your throat itch.

See E-CIGS on 19A



The Leslie P. Bland Public Works building, which opened on Alloy Drive in November of 2002, will be getting six new heating units. **Photo: Tim Jagielo**

DPW garage to get new heating units

■Six will be replaced for \$26,330

By Vera Hogan

It may come as a surprise to some that the "new" state-of-the-art Department of Public Works facility on Alloy Drive is not so new anymore.

The building, renamed the Leslie P. Bland Public Works in 2017 in honor of the late DPW director, was built more than 17 years ago. The official ribbon cutting, marking the opening of the new DPW offices and garage, took place in November 2002.

As with any building, repairs and replacements are needed over time. Today, it's the DPW garage heating units that need replacing.

At their Monday, Sept. 23 meeting, Fenton City Council members voted to accept Interim Public Works Director Dan Brisson's recommendation to hire K&S Venture Specialties of Rochester Hills to remove and replace the existing heating system for \$26,330.

"The current garage area heating system consists of six ceiling mounted gas fire, forced air units," said Brisson in a memo to City Manager Lynn Markland. "Over the past few years, the heat exchangers on these units have cracked and the units were taken out of service for safety reasons.

"Presently, only two of the six units are in operation which does not provide adequate, balanced heat to the garage area," he said. "The existing units have an energy efficiency rating of 70 percent."

K&S Venture Specialties, the lowest of three non-local bidders, has extensive experience with the DPW garage's heating system and specializes in energy management systems for commercial and industrial applications, said Brisson.

The only additional costs to the installation will be any permit fees that may be required and minor contracted electrician fee to disconnect power at the electrical distribution panel to the old units, Brisson said.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

TO THE SOCIALIST who thinks Trump is plundering our country. Perhaps you should ask some of the half million people now working if they would rather go back on welfare where they were under Democratic leadership.

TO THE GUN-hater. So you think guns are only for murdering people. Have you forgotten how guns created this country? Without guns, you likely would not be here. Guns fed this nation. They protected it.

fed this nation. They protected it. They fed, clothed and protected the nation. They forced other countries to respect our right to exist.

WHY WOULD YOU allow an Early 5 or kindergartner to walk to a bus stop by themselves in the first place? Take some responsibility and go with them.

PLEASE EXPLAIN HOW Trump would plunder the country when he doesn't even take a salary for serving? He donates it to charity, unlike Obama, who doubled the presidential salary before leaving. Who is the plunderer?







POLICE & FIRE REPORT

COMPILED BY SHARON STONE

ARGENTINE POLICE CONDUCT WARRANT PICKUP

On Wednesday, Sept. 11 at approximately 6:45 p.m., Argentine Township police officers were dispatched to the 12000 block of Silver Lake Road for an arrest warrant pickup. Upon arrival, police made contact with the man,

and advised him of the listed warrant. The man was arrested and transported to Flint City Jail where he was lodged. The warrant was for obstructing police.

SLEEPING AT THE WHEEL

On Wednesday, Sept. 18 at approximately 10:30 p.m., Argentine Township police received a call for a welfare check at NorthShore Market on S. Seymour Road. The caller explained that a man was sleeping inside of a running Ford Mustang for approximately two hours. After locating the car in the parking lot, police observed a man who appeared to

be sleeping inside, as well as numerous bottles of Jameson liquor in the back seat. The engine was running, but was in park. After knocking on the window, the officers were able to wake the man. After performing several field sobriety evaluations and a preliminary breath test the man was found to be under the legal limit of blood alcohol content. The man was issued a court appearance ticket for having open intoxicants in a motor vehicle. He was released from the scene and received a ride home. The man's car was impounded for the offense.





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WHAT YOU MISSED IN THE

MIDWEEK TIMES

COMPILED BY VERA HOGAN

The following are stories you may have missed in the **Wednesday**, **Sept. 25**, **Midweek Times**. To subscribe and receive both the Midweek and Sunday Weekend editions, please call (810) 629-8282 or go to myfenton.com.

Testing a Tesla

Full electric vehicles might be the future — and the future for aging drivers.



Car's safety features save Fenton man

NOCFA responds to one-vehicle crash on Fish Lake Road.

'Just around the corner'

Dr. Wax building making progress in downtown Linden.

Citizens urged to do their part with mosquito control

Michigan is facing the worst outbreak of EEE virus in over a decade.

Register to vote soon

Fenton City Council, schools' sinking funds and police protection up to local voters.

Our Future

Meet Logan Campbell, 17, a senior at Holly High School.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

DOG OWNERS WHO leave their dog tied up outside for hours/days/weeks/months on end — shame on you. Why would you get a pet if you don't want him to be a part of your family? Why leave them outside?

GO AHEAD AND complain about young people texting but don't come to us for help the next time you get confused and can't figure out how to turn your phone on.

Get your spooky on

44 It's fun to dress

up as a witch

or wizard, enjoy

good food at our

local restaurants,

and shop in our

spooktacular

stores. 77

Brenda Hasse

Witches Night Out co-chair

■Witches Night Out set for Friday, Oct. 11

By Hannah Ball

Witches, wizards and other haunted creatures are invited to the second annual Witches Night Out in downtown

Fenton on Friday, Oct. 11, from 5 to 9 p.m.

More than two dozen Fenton businesses are participating.

Fenton's Open Book owner Karen Piacentini and local author Brenda Hasse are chairs of the event.

"Why the witch theme? Who doesn't like Halloween? It's fun to dress up as a witch or wizard, enjoy

good food at our local restaurants, and shop in our spooktacular stores. Many of the shops will be offering specials, providing snacks and beverages, and perhaps door prizes and or gift baskets via contests or drawings," Hasse said.

Peak into Fenton's Open Book and you'll already see Halloween decorations on the walls, windows and around the store. During the event, the store will hand out envelopes that con-

tain an instant winner for a prize, a percentage coupon off a purchase, or an entry to the gift basket drawing.

Many participating businesses will offer sales and Halloween giveaways and activities, like guessing the weight of a pumpkin or the number of candy corn in a jar.

"The purpose of the event is to promote

Downtown Development Authority businesses/restaurants and is a fundraiser for the Fenton Firefighter Charities," Hasse said.



Local author Brenda Hasse, dressed as a witch, greets patrons in Fenton's Open Book at the 2018 Witches Night Out. Times file photo

Stores will accept donations for the Fenton Firefighter Charities, which is a non-profit charity organization through the Fenton Fire Department that helps local families in need.

The first 500 guests to Witches Night Out will receive a few shopping bags, which will be distributed at the porch of the Fenton Museum.

"We are sponsored by the DDA, Kayden Wealth Management, Callard Clinic, Fenton Vision Center, and First Choice Heating and Cooling," Hasse said.

Below is a list of participating businesses: Andiamo, Biggby Coffee, Bill Meier Camera Shop, The Blow Dry Bar, Bridge Street, Cause and Affect Gallery, Ciao, Crust, El Topo, Fenton Fire Hall, Fenton Hotel Tavern & Grille, The Fenton House, The Fenton Pub, Fenton's Open Book, Iris Eye Care, Iron Grate, The Ivory Loft, The Laundry, Luna's, Marjie's Gluten Free Pantry, Northern Country Chic, Phoenix, Red Fox Outfitters, The Rough Draught, Sawyer Jewelers, and Yesterday's Treasures.

Southern Lakes Parks and Recreation also will have the Fenton Community and Cultural Center open for patrons to use bathrooms and to promote programs they offer.

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Our **Town**

Meet

Dr. Adam Hazlett

- Chair of college Humanities Department
- Fenton Library Board member
- Wizard of Oz fan

By Vera Hogan

Adam Hazlett, 41, has lived in Fenton for eight years. He is married to Vera Hazlett and they have a 6-year-old daughter, Aurora. They also have a Cavapoo named H. Norman and according to Hazlett, "is the terror of E. Rockwell Steet." Hazlett is the chair of the Department of Humanities, School of Liberal Arts, Henry Ford College in Dearborn.



Adam Hazlett of Fenton enjoys living in Dibbleville where everything is within walking distance. Hazlett is on the Fenton Library Board and chairs the Humanities Department at Henry Ford College. Photo: Tim Jagielo

Are you from the Fenton area?

I grew up just outside a little village of about 400 residents called Sugar Grove, Ohio. I grew up in the hollows of the Hocking Hills region.

This area is, believe it or not, an actual tourist destination in Ohio. I was blessed to grow up in a small Appalachian community. I spent summer days hiking in the hills and swimming in ponds. Of course, I spent a few digging holes and bailing hay, too.

Where did you go to school?

I went to high school at Berne Union, the village school. We had about 900 students K-12 all in one building. I have a bachelor's degree in Liberal Studies from Ohio University. I have a Master of Arts in Literature from Eastern Michigan University. I also hold a Master's

of Arts in Political
Theory and a Doctor
of Arts in Religious
Philosophy from Harrison Middleton University. The Doctor of
Arts differs from the
Ph.D. in that the DA
focuses on studying
the subject in order
to teach it rather than
focusing on research

within the subject matter. I actually focused my dissertation on the Marvel Cinematic Universe, the religious and political ideologies presented in those tales, and using it all to teach morality and ethics.

What inspired you to become a professor?

Honestly, I have to say it was my mentors when I was in college. I worked for one of my favorites, who gave me the hardest-earned "B-" I ever achieved and knew firsthand the impact that he, and others like him, had on a young man from a small Ohio town. Dr. Henderson taught me that my duty as an academic is always the process of discussion, debate, and investigation — and to back it all up with evidence. He argued that professors were the Fifth Estate; there to say the unpopular, think the unthinkable, and take the heat for all of it. He taught me that my job was to get students to think, not to tell them what to think.

Why humanities?

My family and friends asked me that very question when I switched my major from computer engineering. The more I studied politics and religion at Ohio University, the more convinced I became that the story was more important than the data. This is why I went on to study the story at EMU. Stories bring us closer as a human race. Stories are so much a part of who we are and how we learn as humans. The humanities truly cover all those things which make us human — art, music, politics, drama, film, literature, religion, philosophy, etc.

Can you explain what the "X" in X-mas really means?

In ancient manuscripts and commentaries on the Bible, monks and scholars would use the "Chi"

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or Greek "X" to represent Christ. This made writing the commentaries easier and is akin to shorthand. But this even can be seen in mainline Protestant churches and Catholic Churches in the Chi Rho "PX" sign that represents

"Christos Rex" or "Christ the king." This is called the Christogram. The earliest Christians used an "X" to symbolize what we now know as the cross. I have a collection of small artifacts and one of those is a second century Christian ring that uses the "X" to symbolize the cross upon

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ADAM HAZLETT

Continued from Page 14A which Jesus hung. Do not think about this as a modern way to cross out your belief, but rather an ancient way to celebrate it.

Is your wife a professor, too?

My lovely wife, Vera, and I have been married for 16 years. She is truly my better half and my rock. She is a proud high school English teacher and an even prouder Fenton Tiger. I met her at Ohio University 21 years ago. It is true that friends make the best spouses.

What do you do in your spare time?

I love camping with my family and traveling to see family. Now that our daughter is older, we are taking as many adventures as we can. My hobby right now is trying to be the best dad and husband that I can. I have started to get involved in volunteer work in the city. I currently serve on the city's library board. But I also get a little bit of videogame playing and film watching in. My main hobby would be my job. I know this sounds

boring to some, but since I study and teach popular culture, it truly is a labor of love. Where else do you get to watch Captain America films and claim to be working?

What are your thoughts about living in Fenton?

I truly love Fenton. We tried to first move here back in 2006 as the housing market crashed. It took us some time to get here, but we couldn't be happier. We have lovely and generous neighbors and there is a true sense of community here. There is new and old, hip and traditional, and a perfect mix of kind-hearted people.

What is something most people don't know about you?

Most people don't know that when I was a child, I watched "The Wizard of Oz" daily and I do mean daily. I would get up early and start the movie. Whatever I didn't finish would be watched sometime in the evening. This went on for years. I can still, to this very day, recite every line, every chorus, and every guffaw of that great picture.



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POLICE & FIRE

REPORT

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DEER CRASHES THROUGH WINDOW, ENDS UP IN BATHTUB

Department of Natural Resources (DNR) officers and Fenton police responded to a home in the 800 block of N. LeRoy Street in Fenton on Wednesday, Sept. 25 at approximately 6 a.m. after receiving a report that a deer had crashed through a window of the house. The deer ended up in a bathtub. Lt. Jeff Cross of the Fenton Police Department said he believes the injured deer was taken to a rehabilitation center. Damage to the house was minimal.



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Many local businesses such as party stores and gas stations also sell flavored e-liquids in the form of disposable ecigarettes, and all have to get rid of their stock by Oct. 2. Local smoke shops report that a large percentage of their sales are from these flavored e-liquids, which as of Sept. 18, they had to begin to phase out.

Jill Perry, manager of Smoker's Depot in Fenton said vape products account for 45 percent of their business and flavored products account for 95 percent of that.

Pipe Depot manager Hunter Brown said these products account for up to 65 percent of their business. "We don't carry any tobacco, because people are trying to quit smoking and don't want to see tobacco products like cigars or cigarettes," he said.

Both businesses reported having sales to purge the stock of flavored liquids.

Wild Bill's Tobacco is a large statewide chain selling a variety of tobacco products. The closest branch is in Holly. Visitors to the website are greeted with a large banner warning shoppers that they have only so many days to purchase any flavored e-liquids. According to the website, store hours have been extended to accommodate people buying e-liquids. They also advertise a sale.

All contacted storeowners and managers say that this ban will push vape users back to smoking regular cigarettes.

"No one wants to go back to smoking cigarettes," Brown said. "It's going to affect a lot of people's quality of life." He said he sees at least 10 people a day for an e-liquid system because they want to quit smoking cigarettes.

The goal of the ban was to curb teen vaping, but Brown said his market is usually those who've been smoking for 20-30 years.

All shops report not allowing anyone under 18 in the store. Ayar has intentionally made his store less attractive by only selling e-liquids — no soda or other vaping accessories, in a plain interior.

The Ayars are holding out hope that something might happen to challenge Gov. Whitmer's directive.

Two challenges were made by Michigan Republican representatives. Rep. Steven Johnson (R-Wayland) proposed HB 5019 exempting flavored vape products with less than 2-percent nicotine from the ban.

The Detroit Free Press reports that last week, Rep. Beau LaFave (R-Iron Mountain) proposed a bill that would prohibit the state from "implementing rules that limit the production, sale or use of vaping products."

The ban came as an emergency response to deaths reported because of vaping, which is regulated by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), but not known in its long-term effects.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

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McLaren welcomes OB/GYN to medical staff

Lauryn Przeslawski, DO, an OB/ GYN, has joined the medical staff at McLaren Flint. Przeslawski is



seeing patients at McLaren Flint – Women's Health, 1314 S. Linden Rd., Suite A, Flint. Przeslawski completed her residency

at Metro Health University of Michigan Health Hospital in Wyoming. She earned her medical degree from Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine in Lansing. Przeslawski is accepting new patients and can be reached by calling (810) 342-1700.

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BUSINESS BRIEFS

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Fenton Academy Early Learning

With over 20 years experience in early childhood development, Monica Racine has opened Fenton Academy Early Learning at 859 W. Silver Lake Rd, Fenton. Classroom sizes are small. The licensed program director has her master's degree in K-12

education along with early childhood credentials. The staff is CPR and first-aid certified and licensed caregivers through the state of Michigan. In-room cameras allow parents to watch at any time. Racine is a mother of four boys; the youngest attends the academy and the older boys attended St. John School and now attend Fenton High School. Early childhood development has been a passion of Racine's since she started her own babysitting service at the age of 12. To find out more, call (810) 777-4191.

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"The P.U.M.P. Award represents the Michigan wastewater treatment industry's pinnacle achievement, and it's a privilege for me to acknowledge constituents in my district for this special accomplishment," said State Sen. Ken Horn (R-Frankenmuth), who serves residents in the southern Genesee County community where the facility is located.

Accepting the P.U.M.P. Award at the Capitol presentation Sept. 12 was Brian

Ross Genesee County Senior Assistant Director of Water and Waste Services, Linden WRRF Plant Superintendent Joseph Perroud, Senior Operations Supervisor Mark Earl and Operations Supervisor Jason Hall.

"We are proud to receive these honors on behalf of our entire organization," Ross said. "The importance of wastewater treatment and reuse in the field of water resource management is now commonly acknowledged as vital to protecting public health and promoting environmental safety."

Linden's facility also won the 2019 Utility of the Future (UOTF) Today Recognition Program. This was announced by a partnership of water sector organizations including the National Association of Clean Water Agencies (NACWA), the Water Environment Federation (WEF), the Water Environment & Reuse Foundation (WE&RF) and WateReuse, with support from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

This honor was officially recognized during an awards ceremony at WEFTEC 2019 – WEF's 92nd annual technical exhibition and conference Tuesday, Sept. 24 in Chicago.

The UOTF program was launched on the eve of Earth Day 2016 to celebrate the "progress and exceptional performance" of the nation's wastewater utilities that have successfully implemented new and creative programs to address local wastewater technical and community challenges.

Epic CNC Academy offers tours on Manufacturing Day

■ Epic CNC Training Academy offers tours and program information on Friday, Oct. 4

By Sally Rummel

Every time you eat a bowl of Kellogg's Frosted Mini Wheats for breakfast, you're getting a taste of what Epic Machine in Fenton is all about.

This local manufacturer makes the rollers that roll out this popular cereal brand, as well as a number of other products in your life every day — from vacuum molds for McDonald's drink lids to tooling components for fire hydrants and manhole covers.

Epic Machine has been manufacturing high precision-machined components for industries worldwide since 1979, utilizing CNC (Computer-Numerical-Controlled) turning, CNC milling and precision grinding equipment. Their customers include foundries, military contracts, the food industry, medical supplies and more.

The company was founded by Nick Popa of Fenton who learned the manufacturing trade at Henry Ford Trade School from 1943 to 1947. He was directly taught machining by Henry Ford instructors.

Epic Machine CEO Mike Parker founded Epic CNC Training Academy in 2013, working with the state of Michigan to develop a re-education and training program. He was taught as an OJT (on the job training) employee when he was 18 and now he is the CEO. "Our goal is to bring skilled, trained tradespeople back into Michigan's manufacturing industry after the state's Great Recession," Parker said.

Epic CNC Training Academy is hosting an Open House and tours Friday, Oct. 4, in recognition of National Manufacturing Day. Their goal is to show the public how students can learn a trade that will result in a good-paying career, after just one eightweek session.

Open house hours will be 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. at Epic Machine, at 201 Industrial Way, Fenton.

"The median wage for a machinist is about \$20 per hour," Parker said. "However, it's all based on a person's skill level. The more skill you bring to the table, the more money you'll make."

Epic CNC Training Academy runs four sessions per year and up to four students



Here, students verify a program on an Okuma Lathe. Submitted photo

per session.

"We focus on quality over quantity in our focused, hands-on training," said Melinda Keway, academy director.

"It's a 40-hour week for our students. They are totally immersed in learning computer operated equipment. When a student is done with the session, he or she will be proficient and confident in their skills, and will be ready to meet the needs of an employer as an entry level skilled tradesperson."

How do you know if a skilled trade in the manufacturing industry is the career for you? "If you're good at math and mechanically inclined," this might be a good fit for you," Keway said. "You also must be 18 years old or older. The majority of our students are in their mid-20s and have come to us after

trying a different career path and realizing they want to do something different with their lives."

Epic Machine has been approved to use the new "Forever" GI Bill, which lets military veterans use federal benefits for technology courses through non-college providers.

Academy students will learn:

- CNC milling
- CNC turning
- MasterCam
- G and M code programming
- How to read blueprints and manufacture the product
- Career skills, like time management, that are necessary to be successful

"You grow your skill by doing it," Keway said. "Come in and see what the world of manufacturing is like today. It's totally different than what you might expect."

MARK RUMMEL

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similar cola nuts meant that Pepsi was easily consumed. And, do you remember Beemans Pepsin Gum? It got that name for the same reason as Pepsi, to aid in digestion.

- 8. More people in the world have access to mobile phones than toilets. (You should be flushed with excitement knowing that.)
- 9. Ben & Jerry's employees are allowed to take home up to three free pints of ice cream after work, every day.
- 10. The Shell Oil Company, the huge worldwide petroleum conglomerate, actually started as a London company selling sea shells in 1833, but not by the sea shore...

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'Global Cardboard Challenge' is coming to Fenton

The 'Global Cardboard Challenge' is coming to Fenton on Saturday, Oct. 5, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at Fenton Area Public Schools' (FAPS) World of Wonder Gymnasium, Ellen Street Campus, 404 W. Ellen St., Fenton. The Fenton Arts Council and FAPS are hosting. This event is free and intended for ages pre-school through eighth grade. For more information, visit fentonartscouncil. com or connect with Fenton Arts Council Facebook page.

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HOT LINE CONTINUED

TO THE PERSON who is excited about the roundabout because 'it will be super funny watching old people try to figure it out.' I am old and have gone out of my way to do kind things for years. Have you thought about helping an old person learn how to navigate a roundabout? Your disrespect is despicable.

IF GENESEE COUNTY and Fenton Township maintained Margaret Drive we wouldn't be paying for it now. The road commission just started addressing potholes two years ago and Fenton Township has never done crack sealing, which is its part.

HOT-LINERS WILL WRITE anything, such as college loans. My two mid 30-year-olds pay hundreds every month on college loans. I assisted them financially and they still had debt. Not once did any loan money go for trips, cars or condos. There are always a few who abuse a situation and ruin the reputation of the many.

SLOWER DRIVERS ARE not driving slowly to irritate you or anyone else. Slower drivers are usually people who are elderly, young, perhaps ill, and perhaps adjusting to blood

pressure or other medication their doctor demands. The irritating one here is 'the tailgater.'

ACCORDING TO A lottery propaganda billboard I just saw, schools got \$141 million this year. Put Fenton's share in the sinking fund.

I FIND IT very interesting that many are behind getting rid of flavored vaping because it has killed 15 or 20 people. Maybe we should eliminate real cigarettes that kill tens of thousands each year.

TOWING COMPANY, YOU should let your drivers know that throwing cigarette butts out the window is littering. Not a good look for the company either.

I AGREE WITH the Hot-liner who said fall is such a sad time of year. Why is everyone in a hurry for it to cool down when we waited so long for the warm weather?

TOO MANY PEOPLE at Applefest, an event that's meant to bring the entire community together? How do you suggest limiting people? Suggestion — let's start with you staying home.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

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MCLAREN FLINT TO HOST ANNUAL 'COMMUNITY RESOURCE DAY' OCT.10

McLaren Flint's case management team is hosting its annual "Community Resource Day" on Thursday, Oct. 10. Case managers and social workers are a vital link between patients and the community resources they need for a range of health care needs. In an effort to bring these resources together in one place, McLaren's case management department is holding its annual event at McLaren Flint in the Ballenger Auditorium, 401 S. Ballenger Hwy., Flint. Representatives from health related resources will be on hand from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for McLaren's employees, patients, visitors and the public.



BRIEFS

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HISTORIAN TO GIVE LECTURE ON NATIVE AMERICAN HISTORY

The Rose Township Heritage Committee presents historian and storyteller Carol Egbo, who will give a lecture "Is it a rock or a stone tool?" on Wednesday. Oct. 2, beginning at 7 p.m. Visitors are encouraged to come and learn about Native American history through an exploration of maps, artifacts and other resources. The focus of Egbo's lecture will be on Rose Township. The lecture will take place on the lower level of the Rose Township offices, 9080 Mason St. in Rose Township.

BUSINESS

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Health Alliance Plan acquisition of Trusted HP-Michigan approved

Henry Ford Health System and Health Alliance Plan (HAP), a nonprofit health plan and operating unit of Henry Ford, announced Sept. 19, that HAP's acauisition of Trusted HP-Michigan has received all regulatory approvals and the acquisition became effective Sept. 13. Henry Ford and HAP announced in June that HAP had signed a definitive agreement to acquire Trusted HP-Michigan, a Medicaid plan based in Detroit, formerly known as Harbor Health Plan, Inc. The completion of this transaction solidifies HAP's reentrance into the state of Michigan's Medicaid HMO service area known as Region 10, which includes Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties.

CHASES

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holding things underneath of it. The officer saw the man dump items into the car and cover the items with some type of cloth.

A female sat inside the car.

The officer walked over to the opposite side of the car and spoke to the man and asked permission to look inside the car. With the man's consent, the officer lifted the cloth and observed merchandise from the store.

When the officer made eye contact with the man, the man took off running west toward the Silver Ridge subdivision.

Cross responded to the scene while the

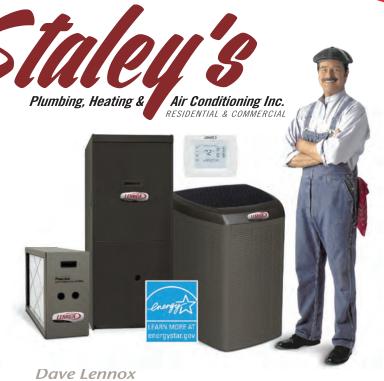
first officer stayed with the car, the stolen merchandise and woman. Cross located the man and chased him into Silver Lake Park and Silver Lake. "I chased him in the lake," Cross said. "I was up to my waist in water. I caught him."

Cross ordered the man out of the water where he was placed under arrest. The man, a 27-year-old Fenton resident, is facing charges of second-degree retail fraud, organized retail fraud and resisting an officer. He has not yet been arraigned. Police do not believe the woman was involved with the retail fraud.

Assisting at the scene were Genesee County Sheriff's deputies and Linden police.



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WELL, THE WOLVERINES laid a big fat egg again. Will they ever win a game (or even be competitive) against a good team during Harbaugh's regime? How embarrassing. Maybe they should have paid him more. He is only making \$40 million for coaching a team with a lot of talent to consistently mediocre finishes and zero Big Ten titles.

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AS A MILLENNIAL. I won't have any trouble with the roundabout. Things like three or four-way stops I can't seem to get right but whatever.

IF YOU OPPOSE the UAW striking,

you are simple-minded and have been tricked into doing exactly what the rich want you to do. Opposing workers' rights is un-American.

VILLAGE COUNCIL DOES vote to accept resignation. Look at the available history of meeting minutes.

DEPOT

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The village, with only 6,000 residents, is one of 20 national finalists in the Partners in Preservation Grant voting competition sponsored by American Express, National Geographic, Main Street America, and the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

Holly is the only community in Michigan to reach this point in the process from more than 100 applications nationally, according to Katy Golden, assistant village manager and Downtown Development Authority (DDA) director.

"A \$150,000 grant is on the line that will be used to move the Holly Union Depot closer to its historic downtown district and re-purposed," Golden said. "It has sat vacant for years because it is sandwiched between active rail lines that do not offer enough safe access for pedestrians by modern standards.

"We intend to move the depot about 1,000 feet, closer to Broad Street (across from the Moose Lodge) so that we can access it again," she said. "Once it's moved, we can rehabilitate the building and open it to the public again.

"We need Holly to land in the top 10 by Oct. 29," Golden said. "You can vote daily at nationalgeographic.com/ voteyourmainstreet and cast all five of your daily allotted votes to Holly. The site is a little bit clunky, but it'll only take a moment."

Participants will need to register with their email, and after receiving the link to vote, click on Holly/Union Depot and the "vote" link. A drop-down menu will appear with all 20 projects.

"You can click on Holly from the drop down menu for each of your five available votes and finally click on your vote confirmation. We can't do this without your help. Let's show the nation how mighty we are when we come together for a good cause.

"Share this website, tell everyone you know, wherever they live, and ask your friends, family, and co-workers to vote every day," Golden said. "Thank you for supporting our project."

Winning districts will be announced Oct. 30.

About the Holly Union Depot

Holly Union Depot, built in 1886. was such a people place that over time, millions of travelers wore depressions in the floor as they waited to purchase tickets. In the course of its history, women also developed a strong connection to the depot. There, they distributed meals for soldiers, sent the men off to war, and welcomed them home.

Famous prohibitionist, Carry Nation, arrived at the depot in 1908 and became known for her hatchetwielding crusades against "demonrum" on nearby Battle Alley.

Grant funding will help transform the depot into a welcome center and tourism office where visitors can learn about Holly's history and the important roles that women past and present play in the community.

Preservation program recognizes contributions of American women

American Express and the National Trust for Historic Preservation, in collaboration with Main Street America, announced Tuesday, Sept. 24, that their annual Partners in Preservation campaign this year will shine a light on historic buildings and sites celebrating the contributions of women in local communities across the country.

In honor of the upcoming 100th anniversary of the ratification of the 19th Amendment, guaranteeing women the right to vote, the Partners in Preservation program will feature 20 sites that each play a role in highlighting and raising awareness for the often unrecognized contributions of women to American history and society.

From the home of Colorado's first female African American doctor in Denver, to famed author Harper Lee's hometown courthouse in Monroeville, Alabama, these sites celebrate the triumphs, struggles and rich history of women in America.

"You cannot tell the full story of America without including the many incredible contributions women have made to our country's history," said Katherine Malone-France, chief preservation officer at the National Trust for Historic Preservation. "By highlighting historic places on main streets across America that are telling the stories of women, we hope to not only preserve these sites, but also amplify the women who have made our main streets what they are today."

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STRIKE

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his fellow union members Thursday, Sept. 26 at the south employee entrance of the GM Flint Assembly plant.

His wife Kari stood with him as most drivers sounded their support with horn honks as they drove down Van Slyke Road.

Day and night, the picket line remains at the GM Flint Assembly plant on Bristol and Van Slyke Roads.

Jason Clouse is one of more than 5,000 Flint area employees who are on strike with all UAW employee across the country. They have been

since Sunday, Sept. 15 when the UAW and General Motors (GM) failed to reach a new contract with employees resulting in the longest strike since 1970, according to Fox Business.

The last official statement from GM announced that negotiations have resumed."... Our goal remains to reach an agreement that builds a stronger future for everyone. A work stoppage impacts our employees, families, communities and the American economy, the statement read."

Areas of contention include healthcare cost sharing,

better pay and benefits for temporary UAW workers. Clouse said a temp worker makes about \$15 an hour, about half the rate of a full-time worker while doing the same work.

On Wednesday evening, Sept. 25, multiple news outlets reported that bargaining was going well and progress was being made toward a deal.

Still, workers like Clouse will take their shifts on the picket line for a minimum of four hours per week. Clouse said they often do double shifts. "The passion this membership has, they're going above and beyond," Clouse said.

He said the goal is to "bring awareness to the company, to GM, that we're done doing all the sacrificing," he said.

He said without employee sacrifices, GM wouldn't be where it is now, following the 2009 restructuring.

There are rules to picketing. Clouse said they cannot completely block vehicles, and they have to allow a vehicle to enter the plant every 10 minutes. This has led to long lines of semi trucks and management's vehicles waiting to enter the plant. "It creates a tremendous traffic jam, especially on Van Slyke," Clouse said. They also have to keep moving and can't stay in one spot.

He said overall, the reaction from the public has been positive. Most motorists honk in support as they go

Photo: Tim Jagielo

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Jason Clouse

Fenton Township resident, UAW member

by, and some have brought food and water to picketers. He has been called "spoiled" by other people and that he should "get back to work." He's taken these opportunities to explain why they strike, usually with positive results.

Clouse said he's ready to get back to work, but he will wait with his fellow union members until they get a better deal. "At the end of the day we are fighting for our well being," he said. "That company, without us, isn't going to run efficiently."

Clouse is responsible for securing

airbags on the driver side and routing the wire harness at General Motors Flint Assembly.

GM reinstated health-care benefits Thursday, Sept. 26 for its 48,000 United Auto workers members who are on strike. The company had cut healthcare coverage for union members and moved them to more expensive, temporary COBRA plans Sept. 16, the first day of the strike.

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TREATMENTS **Continued from Page 3A**

Today, some allergists take a proactive approach using desensitization — introducing foods with finely ground peanuts to reduce high-risk babies' chances of becoming allergic to peanuts.

Also promising is a "peanut patch," designed to desensitize allergic children ages 4 to 17 with a skin patch. These methods are not yet FDA approved so they are not currently available to the

public. There is time now to discuss these possible future options with a family doctor or allergist.

Local schools also are very involved in the daily care of students who suffer from food allergies. "We've become more educated and aware of the allergies and how to support students when they are atschool,"saidRuss Ciesielski, superin-

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■ Medical treatment for peanut allergies is becoming more proactive, with some doctors using a method of desensitization to help a highrisk baby avoid an allergy. Now, a peanut patch and oral immunotherapy are on the horizon, pending FDA approval.



Charlie, 6, is a homeschooled firstgrader, partly due to his food allergies that cause more anxiety in a school setting. Submitted photo

tendent of Linden Community Schools. Many local schools have designated

"It depends on the severity of the nut allergy per classroom," said Principal Sonya Shaughnessy of West Shore

tables/areas that are nut-free zones.

Elementary School in the Lake Fenton school district.

"For peanut-sensitive or mild allergies, students can sit together at the same table but are taught and not allowed to share food at any time. For severe nut allergies, including airborne or touchsensitive students, we have allocated a peanut-safe table for students to sit at together, who have purchased hot lunch options only. All school-provided lunches are nut safe."

Shaughnessy added that the food allergy trend is fairly stable at West Shore. "About 15 to 20 percent of students report major allergies. Allergies specific to nuts are consistently 3 percent or less," she said.

Linden and Lake Fenton schools reported that their districts are prepared if a child goes into anaphylaxis shock because of exposure to an allergen.

Both districts said they have staff training on how to handle situations where a child goes into anaphylaxis shock. Each building has a Medical Emergency Response Team (MERT) made up of building staff and each building is equipped with EpiPens.

About food allergies

- One out of five food allergy sufferers had been to the emergency room at least once in the previous year because of a severe allergic reaction.
- · Peanuts rank as the most common food allergy, affecting about 1.6 million young people.
- Milk allergies are the next most common, affecting about 1.4 million.
- Other common food allergies are to shellfish, tree nuts, eggs, fin fish, wheat, soy and sesame.
- About 40 percent of vound people studied were allergic to more than one food.

POLICE & FIRE REPORT

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DISORDERLY BRIGHTON MAN AT FENTON RESTAURANT

At 9:30 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 19, Fenton police were dispatched to a restaurant in the 1200 block of N. LeRoy Street on a report of a disorderly person. Lt. Jeff Cross said upon arrival, police observed the suspected disorderly person wearing no shirt and trying to fight others in the parking lot. The man, later identified as a 30-year-old Brighton resident, was yelling obscenities and confronted the responding officer. Police arrested the man. The owner told police that when the man, who he believed was intoxicated, was inside moments earlier, he went behind the bar area and yelled obscenities, at which time the owner called police and escorted him outside. The man attempted to leave. however, the owner tried to stop him from driving and told him police were on the way. The man assaulted the owner. Based on his behavior. police called for an ambulance and on the way to the hospital, the man assaulted a paramedic. Pending charges include assaulting a police officer, assault and battery. resisting police and disorderly intoxication.



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(From left) Holly's Griffen Rose, Linden's Kyle Eberhard and Liam Sack compete in a recent jamboree. Photo: David Troppens

Linden boys take runner-up status at Metro meet

By David Troppens

It's pretty clear the Fenton Tigers are the top Metro League squad in the boys cross country standings.

But it's also becoming pretty clear who the second-best team is. That's the Linden Eagles.

Linden (80 points) placed second for the second straight jamboree this season, solidifying their position as the league's second-place team with the standings halfway completed.

Holly improved from fifth to fourth place (117) from the first to the second jamboree. The Lake Fenton boys also moved up a spot to fifth.

The Eagles finished 28 points behind • Fenton and 33 points ahead of third-place Flushing, earning that position by placing three runners in the top 10.

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Fenton XC teams leading the pack at jamboree

By David Troppens

Halfway through the Flint Metro League cross country season, it looks like little is changing on the top of the standings.

The Fenton varsity girls and boys cross country programs are the threetime defending champions, and have now each won the first two Metro female side, the Tigers League jamborees this season. competed without

The second victory for both programs came Wednesday at the Cummings Center. The Fenton boys dominated the male race, scoring 52 points, 28 points less than second-place Linden. On the

female side, the Tige competed without their No. 2 runner and still figured a way to beat the Linden Eagles 41-45.

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Sports Times

Lady Eagles jump to second at league event

By David Troppens

Ever since the Flint Metro League cross country seasons were changed to the three-meet system to decide the league champion, it seems every jamboree has a few surprises.

On the girls' side of the ledger, the Linden Eagles were the surprise on Wednesday at the Cummings Center.

Linden, who finished 21 points behind second-place Flushing at the first jamboree and 48 points behind first-place Fenton, took second place at the second jamboree. Not only did the Eagles take second, but they came within four points of tying Fenton for first place.

Fenton won while Lake Fenton placed eighth. Holly was unable to field a complete team, but did have the second-place runner in the race, Andrea Ruiz.

The Eagles were the story at the second meet, putting themselves in a tie for second in the overall standings.

"The girls ran a great race from start to finish," Linden varsity girls coach Ben-

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Fenton golfers entering Metro League meet undefeated

By David Troppens

Photo: David Troppens

The Fenton varsity girls golf team will go into Monday's Flint Metro League meet undefeated and in first place.

Linden's Alyson Kelly (519), Shelby

Holscher (515) and Lake Fenton's Evelyn

Riley compete in a recent jamboree.

The Tigers (9-0 in the Metro) assured that to be the case after victories against Kearsley and Brandon on Tuesday and Wednesday, respectively.

The Tigers defeated Kearsley 173-

236. Brook Herbstreit was dominant, earning match medalist honors with a nine-hole score of 38. She recorded two birdies during the round.

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Linden's Ian Downarowicz makes a save in a recent game. The Eagles defeated Kearsley 7-0, putting Linden in a tie for first place with Fenton. Photo: David Troppens

Linden soccer back in hunt for Metro League title, defeats Kearsley

By David Troppens

The Flint Metro League season didn't begin the way the Linden varsity boys soccer team would've hoped.

The Eagles lost a 2-1 verdict against Goodrich and have been looking for help from other teams to get back in the league chase ever since.

The Eagles finally got their wish on Wednesday, and got it from a rival no less. The Martians lost their first game of the Metro League season when the Fenton Tigers defeated them 2-0. That meant when the Eagles defeated Kearsley by a 7-0 score on Wednesday as well, it put the Eagles and Tigers on top of the

Metro standings at 8-1, and put Goodrich in third at 7-1. If any of the three teams with one loss win the contests they have remaining this week, they'll earn at least a share of the Metro League title.

It may be fair to consider the Eagles as the hottest team in the league. Ever since losing that tight game to Goodrich, Linden has outscored Metro foes 35-2, earning shutouts in six of those contests.

Keeper Ian Downarowicz had been pivotal to that defensive play, collecting his 12th shutout out of 16 games this fall.

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PREP REPORT

VOLLEYBALL

- ▶ Linden in quad: The Eagles lost to Davison, Goodrich and Hartland. Ellie Klocek led the Eagles with 13 kills while Makenna O'Keefe had 10 kills. Payton Somers had 43 assists. Avery Koan had 32 digs while O'Keefe had
- ▶ Linden def Kearsley: The Eagles (1-3 in the Metro) won 25-18, 25-11, 25-18.

Makenna O'Keefe led the Eagles' offense with 10 kills while Katie Strickert had six kills. Payton Somers had 23 assists and 10 digs.

BOYS SOCCER

▶ Brandon 5, Holly 0: Brandon scored three first-half goals and earned the victory. Holly played better in the second half, but were never really able to generate an offense against the Blackhawks.

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jamin Cox said. "They were patient and moved up in the field throughout the race. It's always fun to battle it out in a close

race, and Fenton and Flushing are always great competition. I think the strength of the league prepares us for racing at a high level later in the season."

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Fenton falls to Flushing, still in league race chase

By David Troppens

Fenton — Obviously, it was a match the Fenton varsity boys tennis team wanted to win.

Losing to Flushing 5-3 and falling a game behind the Raiders in the dual portions of the Metro League standings isn't the goal when a squad is gunning for a league championship.

However, the loss wasn't a death sentence to the Tigers' league title hopes either.

And in some ways, Fenton varsity boys tennis coach Gary Ballard remains optimistic about his team's chances of earning at least a co-league crown by the time the Flint Metro League meet is completed sometime Tuesday (weather permitting).

"We had three matches on the courts and it came down to who won two, and one would've tied. We would've been happy with the tie. But I think we are better in a tournament setting.



Fenton's Sheldon Hand plays at No. 2 singles for the Tigers. **Photo: David Troppens**

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When I look at the match ups and where we've done well, I think we have a good chance (of winning the league meet and earning a co-title). It's going to come down to us and Flushing."

The Tigers (7-1 in the Met-

ro) also defeated the Brandon Blackhawks 8-0 on Thursday, helping them remain within Brandon on Wednesday. If Fenstriking distance of Flushing en- • ton wins those games it could

: Tigers defeat Goodrich, tied for first with Linden with week left in season

By David Troppens

It's officially a three-team race for the Flint Metro League boys soccer title with one week remaining in the regular season.

The Fenton Tigers (8-1) made sure of that Wednesday night.

Trailing Goodrich (7-1) by a game in the loss column, the Tigers posted a 2-0 victory against the first-place Martians, putting three teams in a tie for first place with one loss. Linden (8-1 in the Metro), who beat the Tigers 2-0 on Sept. 18, are now also tied with Fenton and Goodrich after beating the Kearsley Hornets 7-0, also on Wednesday.

Fenton, who are the defending league champions, can earn at least a co-title if the Tigers defeat Flushing on Monday and tering the Metro League meet. • end up being a shared title with **CONTINUED AT** one or two teams, or end up be-MYFENTON.COM • ing an outright title if the other



Fenton's Gannon Welch makes a save during a recent contest. Photo: David Troppens

two squads collect a loss or a tie. Of course, Fenton must take care of business and win its games.

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Fenton golfers entering league meet in first place

The Fenton varsity girls golf team will go into Monday's Flint Metro League meet undefeated and in first place.

that to be the case after victories against Kearsley and Brandon on Tuesday and Wednesday, respectively.

The Tigers (9-0 in the Metro) assured

Holly golfers edge Linden, in third entering meet

The Holly varsity girls golf team will enter the Flint Metro League tournament as the third-place squad.

That's because the Bronchos finished 7-2 in dual play after beating Linden (6-

The Holly varsity boys tennis team will be entering the Flint Metro League tournament in third place.

That's because the Bronchos improved

3) by just one stroke (205-206) at Spring Meadows Country Club on Wednesday.

Holly's Kate Brown was the match medalist, winning the event with a 45, four strokes ahead of the rest of the field.

Holly tennis finishes dual season in third place

to 6-2 in league action after crushing the Blackhawks 7-1. Holly's doubles flights earned straight set victories in all four matches.

Holly volleyball remains in second, beats Creek

The Flint Metro League's Stripes Division is pretty much a two-team race entering the second half of the season.

The Holly Bronchos remained within a match of Flushing defeating the Swartz Creek Dragons by a 25-15, 25-15, 25-12 score.

It's apparent the Bronchos (4-1 in the Metro) remained focused despite playing a squad on the other side of the standings.

Tigers struggle vs. Flushing Raiders

By David Troppens

Fenton — There have been some positive moments during the Flint Metro League season so far for the Fenton varsity volleyball team.

The Tigers have a winning record at the midpoint of the league season, and have already beaten area rivals Linden once.

However, there have been times when the Tigers have clearly struggled. Wednesday was one of those moments. Playing against the Stripes Division's only undefeated team, the Tigers lost a 25-19, 25-12, 25-18 verdict against the Raiders.

The Tigers struggled in all three sets, trailing 6-2 early in the first set, 8-3 in the second set and 5-1 in the third set. Usually it was Fenton's own mistakes that created the deficits.

The Tigers also had a tough loss to the Holly Bronchos earlier in the year in three sets. First-year Fenton varsity coach Meghan Polce thinks it may be



team, the Tigers lost a 25-19, Fenton's Abby Sizemore digs a ball during the 25-12, 25-18 verdict against Tigers' loss against Flushing. Photo: Christopher Summers

more mental than physical.

"I know there is a good rivalry between Fenton-Linden, Fenton-Holly and Fenton-Flushing and I feel like our team psyche themselves out before we even get started based on the name of the team," Polce said.

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JAMBOREE

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The women's race probably was the more impressive result considering the loss of Kaitlin Bayer, a runner that took fifth in the first Metro jamboree.

On her birthday, Alexa Keiser captured her 11th straight Metro League victory, earning first place with a time of 19:04.2, about 26 seconds ahead of Holly's second-place runner Andrea Ruiz. However, despite missing Bayer, the Tigers still got the rest of the their top five runners to finish within the top 15. Emily Grob took seventh (21:05.0) while Taylor Huntoon placed 12th (21:22.7). Chloe Lefever (21:27.5), who finished 24th in the first jamboree, improved to 14th in this one. Finally, Jessica Adams placed 15th (21:31.6).

"We had a couple of really great performances to make up for our missing Kaitlin Bayer, who was a late scratch," Fenton varsity cross country coach Jesse Anderson said. "Chloe Lefever really had an amazing effort, running smart and then super tough



Fenton's Samuel Cox (left) and Logan Canada compete in a recent jamboree. Photo: David Troppens

over the last mile to move up 10 spots from her first jamboree and allow us to sneak out of there with a win. Alexa got her 11th straight win on her Birthday, on a day she wasn't feeling 100 percent, so I am pretty proud of her too."

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